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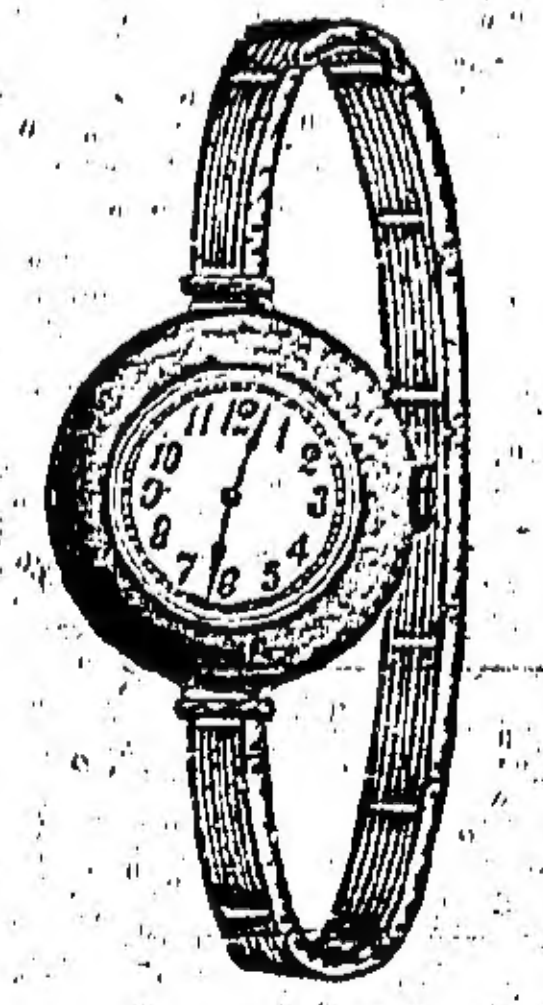
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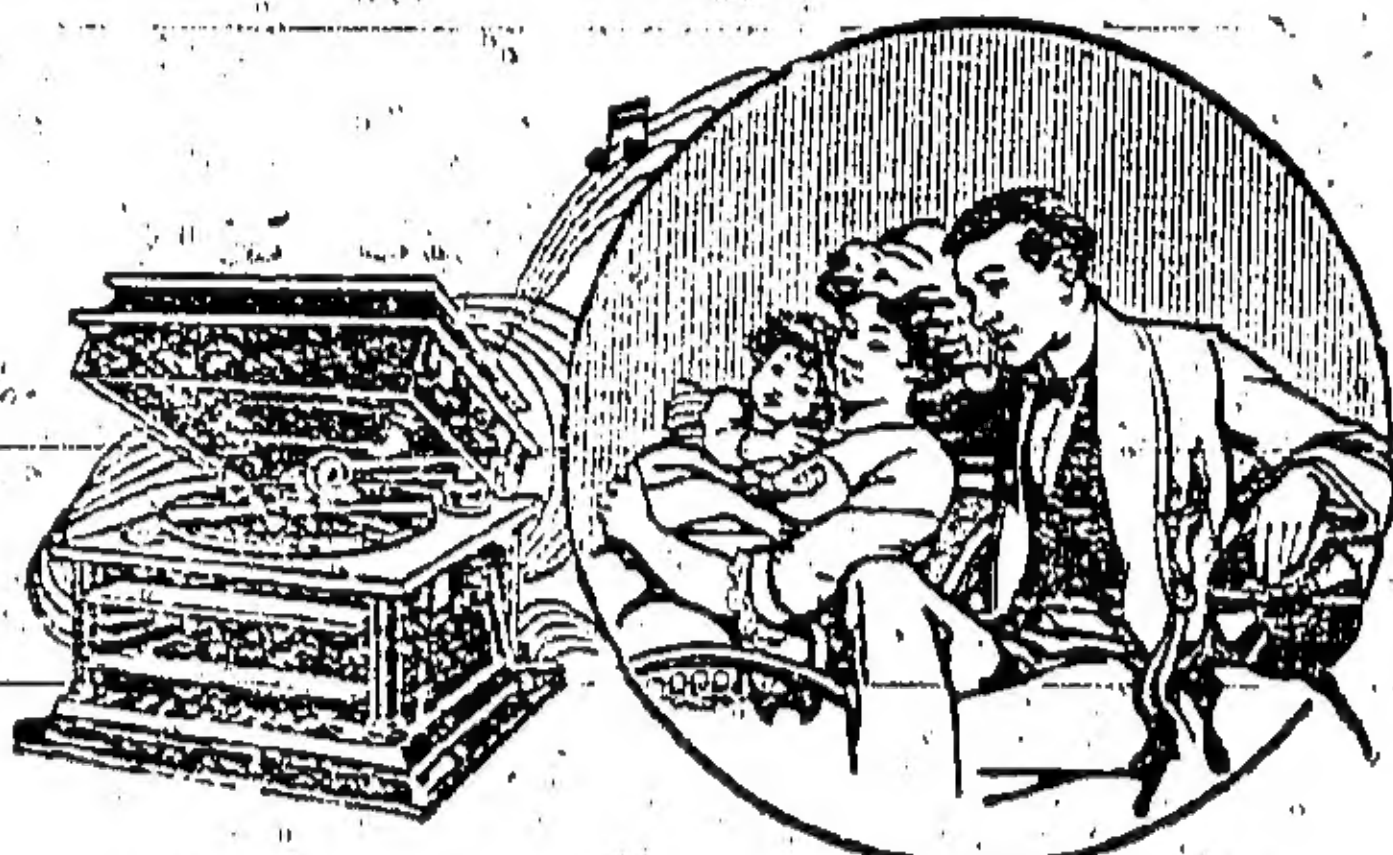
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A Peking paper recently published a report to the effect that beginning from January first, the Ministry of Finance would impose an additional two per cent. on Transit Likin throughout the country. The Peking G. Z. has been requested to state if this report is inaccurate. As a matter of fact the Government is making arrangements for the abolition of a certain class of Likin stations; and for this purpose two high officials have been appointed to proceed to the provinces on a tour of investigation.

It is true the Likin officials in Ningpo, in the province of Chekiang, are authorised to collect an additional two per cent. but the proceeds are being applied towards the payment of conscription expenses. But this has been in existence for some considerable time. Again, in Soochow, the existing regulations were followed, Likin being collected at the usual rate, 20 per cent. discount, and there has been no increase at all.

Our Peking contemporary understands that there is such a shortage of opium on the market and opium has been sold away with particular attention has been and is being paid towards strengthening the present administration of the taxation department by the employment of efficient officials.

CARGOES LOST IN THE WAR.

A YEAR'S STATISTICS.

Some figures are now available giving the total losses by ships and cargoes entered in the Liverpool and London War Risks Association from the commencement of the war in Europe down to the close of July, including twelve full months of the war period. These figures show that the English War Risk Association in the first six months realized losses of tonnage representing 30 per cent. per month on the value, while in the second six months the losses increased to an average of 38 per cent., or a total of 4.08 per cent. for the 12 months.

The average value of each vessel lost which was covered in the War Risk Association is stated to have been approximately £27,281 and of the cargoes £43,003. The summary of losses of the British War Risk Association also shows that during the first twelve months of the war the value of the cargoes lost was £7,240,096 out of a total carried amounting to £1,692,000,000, or a loss rate on cargoes of something less than one half per cent. Following is given a summary of the Liverpool and London War Risks Association for the twelve months of the war, the details of which have just been published by Fairplay, London:

| Numbers entered | Values entered | No. | Value | No. | Value |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----|-------|
| Aug., 1914 | 8 | 426,771 | 18 | 28 | |
| Sept. 1914 | 23 | 856,690 | 52 | 50 | |
| October | 18 | 956,806 | 40 | 62 | |
| November | 6 | 85,263 | 14 | 00 | |
| December | 7 | 137,797 | 16 | 00 | |
| Jan., 1915 | 8 | 268,328 | 18 | 17 | |
| Total 12 months | 70 | 2,732,560 | 158 | 178 | |
| Average per month | 11.7 | 455,426 | 26 | 30 | |
| Feb., 1915 | 10 | 182,011 | 23 | 12 | |
| March | 24 | 629,959 | 54 | 42 | |
| April | 10 | 297,231 | 23 | 14 | |
| May | 15 | 1,586,100 | 34 | 103 | |
| June | 22 | 404,096 | 50 | 39 | |
| July | 17 | 408,888 | 38 | 27 | |
| Total 2nd 6 months | 98 | 3,527,336 | 222 | 230 | |
| Average per month | 16.3 | 587,889 | 37 | 38 | |
| Total for year | 168 | 6,259,896 | 380 | 408 | |
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MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

New Year's Day, Public Holiday.

General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, JAN. 2.
Semi-final of Golf Championship at Fanling.

MONDAY, JAN. 3.
2 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at Offices of the P. W. D.

TUESDAY, JAN. 4.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, Pianos, Carpets etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

SUNDAY, JAN. 9.
Final of Golf Championship at Fanling.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

PARADES, ETC.
Sunday, January 2nd—Church Parade of Band and No. 2 Company, Fall in at 9 a.m.

Monday, January 3rd—No. 3 Company and Ambulance Company, 5.30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 4th—No. 1 Company, 5.30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 5th—No. 2 Company, 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, January 6th—No. 4 Company and Recruits of all Companies, 5.30 p.m.

NOTE.
Uniform, caps with covers, rifles and ammunition, on the Parades of January 3rd to 6th.

MUSKETEER COURSE PART II.
All Inspectors and Sergeants are warned to keep Sunday, January 9th, free for Part II.

Uniform will be worn by all ranks firing this part. Absentees will be treated as defaulters.

(Sgt.) F. C. JENKIN,
D. S. P. (Reserve).

THE BEST COUGH MEDICINE.
CHAMBERLAIN'S Cough Remedy is the largest selling cough medicine in the world to-day, because it does exactly what a cough medicine is supposed to do. It stops coughs and cures up colds, and effectively. It is sold by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

ever revealed it before. So that while the year 1915 will have to stand out in history for its horrors, it is a year which will likewise be recorded in letters of shining gold in the history of our race for the splendid evidence it has afforded of the solidarity of our Empire, and of the fact that in patriotism, courage and resolution to keep our Empire whole and to maintain the supremacy of public law, we have been worthy of the great traditions of our race.

So far as Eastern Asia is concerned the year has been notable chiefly for the fact that in its last month the death knell of the short-lived Republic of China has been sounded, and a new dynasty is about to be set up in its place. China has happily been more free of turmoil and strife than for several years past, and our best wish for China in the coming year is that the country, under the new political régime, will settle down to real and solid progress.

In Japan the year 1915 will be memorable as the year of the Coronation of the Emperor. Japan is the only one of eight countries at war with the Central Powers of Europe which can be said to be benefiting economically from the war. Owing to the dislocation of the industries of Europe a great flip has been given to those of Japan and she has enjoyed a year of exceptional prosperity. Thanks to the assistance rendered by her naval and military forces in the latter part of 1914, the East was placed beyond the zone of the war, and trade and commerce have been unimpeded by the menaces which beset their course in Europe. Peace, however, is the surest foundation of prosperity, and no nation will more gladly welcome its re-establishment than Japan, so long as it is peace on terms which will ensure freedom from international strife for generations to come.

THE DYING YEAR.

FUTURE generations will find abundant cause to regard the year just closing as having written one of the blackest pages in the history of the world. We could devoutly wish that the chapter were ended, but we know that in the coming year these grim and doleful records will be continued and, that an even darker page has probably yet to be written. It will be an imperishable chapter of history in which will be recorded the sacrifice of millions—the flower of Europe's manhood; of other millions oppressed and ruined by the devastation of their homes and the sources of their happiness and wealth. Hence we eagerly bid begone to the old year, and ring in the new with a fervent wish that it may see the end of this ghastly war and mark the beginning of an epoch of enduring peace. That, at all events, will be the dominant wish to-night throughout the civilised world, though, unfortunately, it cannot be said that there is much to encourage these hopes in the present aspect of the war. Events in the coming months will certainly move more quickly than they have done hitherto, for the end of 1915 finds the foes of the Central Powers in a state of preparation far better than at the beginning of the year to meet their aggressors whose chief hope of success lay in the unexpected and overwhelming superiority of their preparations for a war of aggression. Peace can only be again enthroned in Europe when the German military machine has been rendered permanently incapable of further menace. Until that object is achieved there can be no other prospect before the world but the continuance of war. The defeat of the Central Powers is now inevitable, and it is only a question of how long they will be able to stave off the humiliation of confessing it.

But while the dominant thought at the close of the year must be one of sadness, let us not forget that sweet flowers bloom on sorrow's grave. One of the aspects of the war which we can contemplate with the greatest satisfaction and pride is what may be called the rebirth of our patriotism. It must ever be a source of the highest gratification to future generations of Englishmen that in the day of peril to the Empire the British Government was able to raise in one year, under a system of voluntary enlistment, an army of four million men ready to fight in defence of its safety and its national honour; and, in addition to this, that it was able to enlist the help of millions of men and women, previously untrained to the work, to provide not only for this Army but for some other armies fighting in co-operation with it, the needed munitions and stores. They will read with pride too that the war revealed to the world the essential unity of the Empire in a way that nothing had

HONGKONG POLICE CONTINGENT.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

London, Dec. 30.

The Hongkong Police Contingent has arrived. They visited the Crown Colony Office of the Admiralty before enlisting. The Scots chose the Black Watch and other Highland regiments. A fortnight's leave has been granted them before starting service.

CIVIL SERVICE CRICKET CLUB.

CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT.

About 100 children enjoyed the hospitality of the Civil Service Cricket Club this afternoon at their annual Xmas tree and entertainment on the Club ground at Happy Valley. Lively music by the Punjab Band and the antics of Messrs. Macmillan and Ward as clowns, with a bran tub and other side shows provided plenty of amusement.

Those present included Lady May and the Misses May, Hon. Mr. Chatham (President of the Club) and Mrs. Chatham and Mr. J. R. Wood. The Committee consisted of the Messrs. E. T. Thornhill and Macleod and Messrs. Macmillan, Ward, and others. During the afternoon the prizes from the race were presented by Lady May to whom a bouquet was presented by Miss E. T. Thornhill.

CARGO FOR CANTON.

SHIPPERS WITHOUT PERMIT.

FINE IMPOSED.

An important case came before Mr. Hazland this morning. Messrs. Butterfield and Swire and Mr. Aiken, of Holt's Wharf, were summoned for exporting four packages of dyes by the a.s. Fat Shan to a destination other than the United Kingdom or British possessions, in violation of the regulations, to wit Canton, without obtaining a permit.

Mr. G. N. Orme of the Crown Solicitor's Department presided.

A representative of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire pleaded not guilty and Mr. Aiken pleaded guilty.

Mr. Orme said he had had two names put on the summons because he did not know who would accept responsibility. If Mr. Aiken accepted responsibility he would withdraw the case against Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. The facts were that on December 15 Mr. Hutchinson, the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, was rung up by telephone by Mr. Aiken who asked whether a permit was necessary for the export of dyes and paper. Mr. Hutchinson replied that he could not say definitely as to paper, but a permit was necessary for dyes, and that he would require full particulars before he would issue a permit. He refused to receive particulars over the telephone and told Mr. Aiken that he would have to put them on the application. On December 16 an application was sent to the office which was referred to Mr. Hutchinson who notified that some of the marks corresponded with those of Reuter, Brockleman and Co., a German firm. The application was signed by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, as agents for the Ocean Steamship Company. Mr. Hutchinson then spoke to a clerk in the Ocean Steamship Company's office and told him that application had been made and that some of the marks looked like those of Reuter, Brockleman and Co. and that he could not allow shipment without further particulars. The application was then detained pending further particulars. On the following morning Mr. Hutchinson had information that the goods had been shipped by the Fat Shan and no permit had been obtained.

Mr. Hazland asked Mr. Aiken why the goods were shipped without a permit and he replied that he, telephoned to Mr. Hutchinson who said paper would not require a permit but dyes would. On the following day he sent over an application for a permit by a courier with a child book. The courier came back with the book signed and told him the people said "make". He then had the stuff loaded on a lighter and heard nothing more from Messrs. Butterfield and Swire until he told him anything until the following morning. He should have given instructions to hold back the dyes and ship the paper, but he omitted to do so. It was consigned to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Canton.

Referring to his witness, Mr. Orme said there was no suggestion that the cargo was for any wrongful destination. It was Prize Court cargo and had these marks upon it, and that was what made Mr. Hutchinson ask for full particulars. It was a very serious thing as dyes were very particularly mentioned at a very early stage of the war among the articles which they were to be very particular about exporting. If the leading firm did not set a good example considerable difficulty would be experienced by the authorities in seeing that goods were properly checked before being sent off.

The defendant stated that the cargo had been released by Commander Beckwith and if it had been otherwise they might have been more particular. The fact that he was acting under the instructions of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank rather put him off his guard.

A fine of \$50 was imposed.

UNNECESSARY WOUNDS.

WHY waste words and advertising space in describing the many points of merit in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? The most fastidious are satisfied when we state that it cures colds and coughs from any cause, and that it contains absolutely no narcotics or injurious substances. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

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XMAS DAY ACCIDENT.

MOTORIST REMANDED.

G. E. Goldborough, of Morrison Hill Gap Road, was summoned before Mr. Hazland at the Magistracy, with riding to the common danger at Queen's Road East, Wanchai, on Christmas Day.

Pleading "Not guilty" defendant said he was only going three miles an hour.

P. S. Bacon, of the Royal Naval Yard Police, said about 12.30 p.m. he saw defendant riding a motor-cycle between 25 and 30 miles an hour.

He knocked down an old woman who was on the left hand side of the road. Defendant rounded his horn when about 25 yards away. Another man was riding on the carrier. After knocking over the woman, defendant seemed to increase his speed and he never came back to the woman who rolled over twice.

Defendant repeated he was not going at more than three miles an hour. He pushed the woman away with his hand to avoid an accident.

Inspector Sim said the woman was 70 years of age and received a nasty shock.

The Magistrate suggested that the defendant should demonstrate to Inspector Sim that his machine could travel at three miles an hour with the valve open.

The officer said that he would have to get expert evidence as his knowledge of machines was limited.

The case was adjourned sine die, the defendant in the meantime to give a demonstration with his machine.

SEQUEL TO MOTOR CYCLE ACCIDENT.

CHARGE OF FURIOUS DRIVING.

Mr. Hazland at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, opened a case in which Harry S. Komor, of 41, Robinson Road, was summoned "for that he, on Sunday, December 19th, having charge of a motor-bicycle, unlawfully and by wilful or furious driving did cause bodily harm to one Mrs. Isaac Turner, at Wongnei-cheong."

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton prosecuted; and Mr. J. H. Gardiner defended.

Mr. Shenton, in stating the case, said that on December 19th about 3.30 p.m. Mr. Komor was riding on the road round the race-course on a motor side-car. When he got to Morrison Hill Gap the defendant came down on his motor-cycle and it appeared that the side-car proceeded round the course, followed by the motor-cycle. According to Mr. Tolan, when he got to his house defendant called out to him, "Wait a minute." When Mr. Tolan got to the Happy Retreat he heard the defendant's machine behind him, and at the Police Club the motor-cycle passed him. Mr. Tolan had seen nothing of what had happened in the meantime. It would seem that Mr. Komor was either racing Mr. Tolan, or was trying to pass him when the accident to which the present summons was a sequel happened. Mrs. Turner and another lady, Mrs. Smith, were walking on the right-hand side of the road towards the Protestant Cemetery. A gentleman named Heide Turby would say that he and Mr. Struthers (second engineer of the "Futian") were walking towards Hongkong on the left-hand side of the road, and the side-car passed them. A few seconds later the defendant's machine ran past them at high speed within a foot of Mr. Turby. No warning was given. The side-car cleared the two ladies easily, but the motor-cycle went straight on and knocked down Mrs. Turner. He would tell witnesses who would say that the speed of defendant's machine was quite 25 miles per hour. Soldiers who would be called at a later date would say that the defendant went on after the lady had been knocked down and appeared to be racing the side-car. Mrs. Turner was still very ill and was in hospital.

Heide Turby, a Dane, second officer of the "Futian", gave evidence in support of Mr. Shenton's statement.

His Worship asked if it was desired that the case be sent for trial.

Mr. Gardiner said his Worship could deal with it.

The hearing was adjourned.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

FURTHER DRAWING OF PONIES.

The eleven subscription geldings which arrived by the s.s. Lechow were drawn to at the Jockey Club Stables, Causeway Bay, yesterday and resulted as follows:

| No. | Colour. | Owners. |
|-----|----------|--------------------------------|
| 42 | spotted | A. M. Soares |
| 43 | white | Sir Paul Chater |
| 44 | grey | H. Morris |
| 45 | grey | Col. Lee and Capt. Cassell |
| 46 | skewbald | H. Humphreys |
| 47 | bay | Dr. Jordan |
| 48 | black | C. W. Beswick |
| 49 | dark | E. Kadourie |
| 50 | brown | Hon. Mr. D. Landale |
| 51 | bay | H. P. White and Ellis Kadourie |
| 52 | chestnut | Sir Paul Chater. |

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NEWS FROM HOME.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

London, Nov. 28.

Down with the drink! But the question is—What do you mean by that phrase? It can stand as the battle cry of temperance fanatics, or it will do as a motto for a confirmed drinker. To-day we are facing a new regulation that will make us stop drinking at half-past nine at night, will only allow us six hours for buying liquor during the day, and will insist that if we mean to "bope" at home we shall buy the drink before half-past eight in the evening.

This is not a matter that worries most of us. We are too busy finding the money to pay war taxes to worry about how much we shall spend to-night on lubricants for our parched throats. But in munition centres, markets and other places where the horny-handed sons of toil earn bigger figures than they can ever remember getting before, there is a great outcry, and the motto at the head of this paragraph is about to be changed to "No beer before dinner: no work before dinner."

This refers to the hours selected for opening public houses for the sale of liquor—12 (noon) to 2.30 p.m., and then 6 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. They are thirsty souls, but surely deny that they are "boozers." Beer, they declare, is part of their daily food, and they decline to be bowed by "teetotal tyrants." It seems likely that they will be given rather special treatment, though the authorities how have such ample powers that they may see it to ignore the protests and merely warn the men of what will happen to them if they give any trouble. Magistrates and doctors are giving testimony daily that the restrictions of the liquor trade have made the work of the Courts and the police markedly less. At the same time there is a certain amount of increased drinking among women that is causing uneasiness—chiefly drinking on the part of soldiers' wives who are receiving in separation money more than they got when their husbands were at home and at work.

PEACE PIFFLE.

Henry Ford, the millionaire motor car maker of Detroit, is the latest to be smitten with the idea that by spending a big sum on propagating peace piffles he can bring about a cessation of the hostilities. I have often heard that "mercenaries were the real buyers of gold bricks in the world. Henry Ford denounced the Allied Loan in America and then, finding his Canadian business suffering, he applied for a million dollars of the Canadian War Loan and told the Canadian people by deputy, that he was with them heart and soul. But evidently his views were not sound, for his partner—the real man who built up the Ford business—left him as a protest.

Now he is offering all sorts of money to finance a peace campaign, and Mrs. Ford is making the coin fly in telegraphing to women all over the United States urging them to petition the President to call a Peace Conference. Americans may take this kind of thing seriously, but let me warn anybody in the East of the folly of attaching any importance to it at all. Andrew Carnegie built a Peace Palace at the Hague, where all sorts of unofficial discussion took place and deeds were drawn up, and Germany has torn in fragments, especially those relating to humanitarian considerations as applied to the wounded, and to non-combatants. Andrew spent his money in peace time, when men's blood was reasonably cool, and when he failed, Henry Ford is likely to succeed. Nor had he and England at least have only just got their coats off for the real task, and they won't let go till they have smashed Prussian militarism, restored Belgium, Serbia, Poland and northern France, and taught the domineering Hun their modest place in the re-arrangement of this world.

THE THIN AT LOOS.

One of the unfortunate things about this war is that we see regiments get a great deal of fame and other equally undesired things, because of the pressure of the censorship at the time when publicity would be timely. Mr. John Redmond, the Irish leader, has done well to testify to the bravery of the London Irish as Loos. Mr. Redmond came fresh to a great recruiting meeting from the trenches and his firm declaration that so far as the West front was concerned the "Germans are beaten" was cheered by London Irishmen for many minutes. It has done much, along with the optimism of the calm Mr. Bence-Lane to dissipate the fog of pessimism raised by the "professional whippersnappers" as Mr. Asquith aptly called them.

Irish pipes gaily played the Irish leader into the ball, as they played the Irish into the hottest of the fight at Loos and in the Essex. The London Irish were the first into the village of Loos, where they captured five "guns." When the cry came "Irish up and over," in front of the four splendid lines an Irishman ran "drizzling" football towards the Germans in such rapid fashion that the men went to grips with the Germans, irresolutely.

Another story of them is that an Irish telephone line man found a couple of live cables beside his trench that the Irishmen had taken. Nobody knew where they came from, but the Irish man knew that they led to the generating station behind the German lines. Anyway, the line man promptly fitted up a first-class electric installation with power milked from the Germans.

THE BELGIAN CAPITAL.

I hear from a Belgian who has managed to get out of the city of Brussels and make his way to England that the Germans are seriously thinking of making Antwerp the capital, instead of Brussels. The Germans in their self-conceit actually thought they could convert the Belgian people to accept German ideas and German supremacy. They are now undeceived. Following the example of their heroic King the people have decided to be hoodwinked, and they remain confident of the turn of the tide against the invaders. Thus baffled, the Germans now seek to divide the Belgian nation, and to that end they are cultivating the Flemish element in the community.

"But," says this distinguished Belgian now in London "no section of our people will forget the cruelties and horrors of the German invasion. They will live in the Belgian memory long after the Bryans report is forgotten by the world, and nothing will divide Belgium in the hatred of Germany."

OCEAN FREIGHTS.

A shipping writer says—"Much dissatisfaction is being manifested in certain export circles with the present position of

ocean freights, as further advances have been announced in several markets and others are threatened at the New Year. In some instances these are limited to intermediate ports of call, and do not affect the terminal ports. The explanation offered by the shipowners concerned is that so long as their tonnage is inadequate to cope with the cargo destined for the full voyage, it is uneconomical for them to turn their attention to intermediate ports, with lower freight, owing to the delays and uncertainties incident to the securing of supplementary cargo for the remainder of the voyage. In some British settlements forming intermediate links in the ocean chain between this country and the Far East are in danger of suffering from inadequate support on the part of the transport services. The policy will have far-reaching results as it encourages the concentration of neutral shipping lines at a time when it is of urgent importance to consolidate British shipping interests."

SPORTING.

NEW YEAR'S CRICKET.

The following will represent the "Rest" v. H.K.C.C. to-morrow, Saturday, January 1st, at 10 a.m.

R. E. O. Bird (Captain), Major Robertson, A. A. Claxton, G. E. Marley, J. V. Bragg, R. C. Wiffell, F. Sutton, P. T. Lambie, J. P. Robinson, E. W. Hamilton and L. M. Whyte.

THIS AFTERNOON'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Venn and Smyth report this afternoon's changes in the share list as follows:

Dunlop's.....\$100 buyers.
Docks.....\$87 sales and buyers.
Coments.....\$10.40 buyers.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Order by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

RESIGNATION.
Corpl. F. H. Shaw is permitted to resign, on leaving the Corps, dated 10/1/16.

PARADES.
Parades for Saturday, 1st January, and Sunday, 2nd January: Nil.
Parades for Monday, 3rd January: 7 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. Members of Signalling Section and other Signallers, as detailed in Signalling Section order dated 8.12.15—Morse flag and Morse lamp practice at Headquarters. Reminders: Nil.

DETAILS.
Gun Club Hill, Morning:—

On duty until morning of 2nd prox.: Right Section M.G. Co. Officer on duty: Lieut. Kennett.

Prisoners of War Camp:—

On duty to-night: N.C.O.s, and men of 4th N.S.I. Officer on duty: Lieut. Danby.

On duty to-morrow night: No. 1 Sec. Army, Battery, and Left Sec. M.G. Co. Officer on duty: Capt. Armstrong.

Orderly

THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

CONSIDERABLE RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE.

BIG BATTLES IN PROGRESS.

London, Dec. 30. Russia's new stroke just inside Bukovina seems to indicate a considerable offensive along a forty-mile front.

"Big battles are at present raging northward of Rumania, the Russians opening intense bombardments, followed by massed infantry attacks between the River Pruth and a point northward of the River."

The operations so far have been in favour of the Russians.

Meanwhile the new Russian Army for the Spring is rapidly being formed and will be completely equipped in a few weeks.

THE BOMBARDMENT OF VARNNA.

GERMAN FORCES AT VARNNA.

Amsterdam, Dec. 30. A semi-official report states that a Russian squadron bombarded the King's Palace at Varna, and also the town, and then sailed for an unknown destination.

It is reported that important German forces from Serbia are concentrated at Varna.

BULGARIA'S AMBITIONS.

AMSTERDAM, DEC. 30.

According to Sofia newspapers, at a meeting of the Bulgarian parties M. Radoloff declared that the Bulgarian frontiers would reach as far as the Bulgarian soldiers advanced. Monastir too, would remain Bulgarian.

GENERAL VON MACKENSEN VISIT SOFIA.

AMSTERDAM, DEC. 30.

A telegram from Sofia states that General von Mackensen arrived there on the 29th inst., and visited the German and Austrian Ministers. He was received by King Ferdinand and returned to Headquarters in the evening.

BULGARIAN WAR CREDITS.

AMSTERDAM, DEC. 30.

The Bulgarian Parliament has voted credits to the amount of £21,000,000 sterling. Only a section of the Socialists abstained from voting.

GREEK GOVERNMENT PROTESTS TO FRANCE.

ATHENS, DEC. 30.

The Greek Government has been informed that detachments of French troops have landed on the island of Castelloriza, in order to facilitate the action of the Allies against Adria.

The Greek Government has protested.

MINOR OPERATIONS ON WESTERN FRONT.

PARIS, DEC. 30.

A communiqué reports minor operations favourable to the French, also good artillery work in Champagne preventing the Germans repairing their demolished trenches.

THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST EGYPT.

ATHENS, DEC. 30.

A number of Austrian officers have gone to Syria to participate in the campaign against Egypt.

THE CONSPIRACIES IN AMERICA.

NEW YORK, DEC. 30.

Francis Moudett, a former Attorney-General of Ohio, Jacob Taylor, President of the Labour National Peace Council, and another of the persons accused with conspiring to foment strikes in munition works in the United States, have been released on bail of \$1,000 sterling.

A GERMAN DESTROYER.

There is no danger whatever from a lock jaw or blood poisoning resulting from a wound when Chamberlain's Pain Balm is promptly applied. It is an antiseptic and draws the germ which causes these diseases. It also causes wounds to heal without infection and in one third the time required by the usual treatment. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

QUIET IN MESOPOTAMIA.

London, Dec. 29. General Townshend reports that attack and bombardment have ceased entirely since the 25th.

THE SILENT WORK OF THE BRITISH NAVY.

WHAT IT MEANS IN THE WAR.

London, Dec. 29. Mr. Balfour, speaking at an exhibition of Navy and Army films in London, pointed out that a portion of the Grand Fleet represented was actually engaged in the war. Without it the Allies and nations now banded against the tyranny of the Central Powers would be deprived of their communication with each other or the outer world. The task hitherto thrown on the feet had been triumphantly accomplished. The Grand Fleet was the foundation upon which everything else rested. Our economic stability, not less than our military operations, depended on the Grand Fleet. Although silent it was performing, not merely for the Allies but for the whole world, the most important part in the drama we were now playing for the freedom of the world.

LIFE IN BRUSSELS.

MORE RIGOROUS THAN EVER.

Amsterdam, Dec. 30. Sixty-six Britons, mostly women and children, have arrived at Rosendael on their way to England. They report that life in Brussels is more rigorous than ever. Foreigners are obliged to report weekly, otherwise they will be punished by imprisonment or deportation to Germany. An Englishwoman was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for alleged disrespect to the Kaiser.

GERMAN CRUELTY IN COURLAND.

PETROGRAD, DEC. 30.

Fugitives from Courland speak of the German's cruel and heartless administration. All the males have been commandeered for military work without payment, and the people are being robbed of everything they possess.

FORD'S "ARK" CONVEYING CONTRABAND.

LONDON, DEC. 30.

A pitiful anticlimax to Ford's peace mission is an announcement by the Foreign Office that 4,000 lbs. of rubber, consigned to a well-known enemy forwarding agent in Sweden, have been seized aboard the *Oscar II*.

GERMANS WORSTED ON EASTERN FRONT.

PETROGRAD, DEC. 30.

There have been minor encounters on the different fronts, in which the Germans were worsted.

MONTENEGRIN POSITIONS BOMBARDED.

AUSTRIANS EXPEND 2,000 SHELLS.

LONDON, DEC. 30.

A Montenegro communiqué states that the Austrian forts and fleet bombarded the Montenegrin positions near Mount Lovcen. They pounded the Montenegrins for fifteen hours with 2,000 shells, simultaneously launching determined infantry attacks, all of which were repulsed. The Montenegrins had two killed and two wounded.

SEVERE AUSTRIAN DEFEAT.

The Austrians lost 2,000 in the great fight at Lepenz on the 23rd inst. The King has congratulated the troops.

ABOUNDING PROSPERITY OF BRITISH TRADES.

LONDON, DEC. 30.

"Trade Union returns show abounding prosperity in all the principal trades. The average of wages is also higher and unemployment is less than at any time in industrial history. It is estimated that the weekly increase in wages is one and a quarter millions sterling."

DESPATCH FROM SIR DOUGLAS HAIG.

SUCCESSFUL NIGHT ENTERPRISE.

LONDON, DEC. 30.

Sir Douglas Haig in an official report states that the enemy unsuccessfully attacked one of our aerodromes on the 28th. Of four machines only two reached their objective, and there was no damage. One of our machines was shot down.

A successful enterprise was carried out at night near Armentières. The enemy's trenches were entered and bombed with good effect, and numerous casualties were inflicted. Our casualties were very slight. After ten minutes the party withdrew.

Our artillery was again effective to-day against the enemy's "batteries" at many places between "Mametz" and "Hesbey." The enemy exploded two small mines near Giverny doing no damage to the troops or the trenches.

The day has been quite sunny of the "La Bassee" canal. There has been a heavy reciprocal bombardment about Ypres.

THE BRITISH CABINET AND CONSCRIPTION.

LABOUR AND THE POSITION.

LONDON, DEC. 30.

A meeting of Labour leaders has been hurriedly summoned for to-morrow to consider the recruiting position.

There was a special meeting of the joint Labour Recruiting Committee to-day. It is understood that several members demanded the calling of a national conference of Trade Unions before the House of Commons meets, being of the opinion that it is now necessary in view of the Cabinet's decision. They declared that sixty per cent. of the untested are unfit, and that twenty per cent. are "starred."

THE KING AND RECRUITING.

LONDON, DEC. 30.

The King, in a letter to Lord Derby, hopes, now that the appeal for recruits is over, that everyone entitled to wear an armlet will do so.

NO RESIGNATION LIKELY.

The *Westminster Gazette*, in a later edition states that it is improbable that Mr. Henderson will resign, and that the rumours that other Ministers will resign may be dismissed. Mr. Balfour is certainly no longer opposed to conscription.

THE TA HUANG T'S "HOLY NAME."

THE QUESTION OF ITS SANCTITY.

Up to the end of the life dynasty, it was the custom of this country to avoid the use of the name of the reigning Emperor or his ancestors, either orally or in writing. A word which once became the "holy name" of the Emperor would be held forever sacred and even the same word found in the Sage's classics would have to be changed in order to show the "inviolability" of the Emperor's holy name. The other day the question relating to the sanctity of the Holy Name of the Ta Huang Ti was raised by the Authorities of the Ta Tien Chou Pi Chu or the Preparatory Bureau for the Grand Rites and Ceremonies. Three separate proposals to the following effect were made by the officials concerned:—

(1) That the character "Hui," being the last word of Ta Huang Ti Yuan Shih-kai's name should be held sacrosanct and that when necessary, it should be substituted by a similar character which lacks the last sound.

(2) That all words with a pronunciation similar to that of the name of the Ta Huang Ti should be held sacred and prohibited from use.

(3) That the example of foreign countries should be followed and that the custom of holding the Emperor's name in "sacred inviolability" should be abolished.

The question is now under the consideration of the Divine Wisdom of the Ta Huang Ti.—*Peking Gazette*.

CHINESE PAPER MONEY FOUND NEAR MURORAN.

A Muroran message to the "Osaka Asahi" states that a report having been received that some Japanese in Yotomo near Muroran, Hokkaido, had a large amount of Chinese paper money in their possession (£30,000) is the sum mentioned. The Muroran Customs despatched officials to ascertain whether there was any truth in it. The report proved true. The booty consisted of Chinese one dollar notes printed in New York amounting to £30,000. The Japanese explained that the notes were cast ashore on the 3rd. The notes were washed ashore from an English steamer which was wrecked near Amori-ga-Ori. The steamer referred to must be the *Byford Hall* which was lost in Tenguai Straits on or about the date here given.

AMERICAN BID FOR WORLD TRADE.

PLANS OF NEW £10,000,000 CORPORATION.

The New York correspondent of "The Times" says:—Further details of the new company being formed by the City Bank and others to develop foreign trade are now available. The name of the concern will be the American International Corporation and the authorized capital \$50,000,000 (£10,000,000).

Mr. Charles Stone, of Stone and Webster, will be president and manager, and Mr. H. P. Tinsley, formerly with the Standard Oil Company of New York, will be secretary and treasurer. The directors will consist of some of America's foremost banking, industrial, and commercial magnates.

According to Mr. F. V. Vandierlip, the enterprise is one of the most important things that the United States is undertaking in order to establish itself in the world of finance, and it is being created because the usual European channels for banking and trade have been closed.

The corporation, he said, will not be a mere money-making enterprise, but will stand for the development of America along international lines. Therefore every effort will be made to affiliate with the corporation the country's largest corporations and banking powers.

The new corporation is registered to do international business and establish trade relations with different countries which will help to make a market for American products; to finance and promote development in foreign countries by American engineers and manufacturers of great public and private undertakings; to assist in financing rehabilitation of industries in foreign countries, and to undertake such domestic business as seems advantageous in connection therewith.

THE NEXT WAR.

GERMANY ORGANISING FOR AN INDUSTRIAL CAMPAIGN.

(By a Correspondent in "The Globe.")

We hear from various well-informed sources that Germany is already organising her industries in order to be prepared for a great commercial campaign immediately on the conclusion of peace. It is therefore not too soon for this country, in conjunction with her Dominions and her Allies, to concert measures whereby Germany's designs may be frustrated and her ambitions checked. It must be realised that this is an economic as well as a military war. It is just as necessary to beat Germany in the market-place as on the field of battle. It was by her great export trade, principally with this country, that Germany was able to equip her huge armies and to produce a seemingly inexhaustible supply of munitions of war. It is by trade and commerce that the sinews of war are fought; therefore to destroy the trade of a country is to cripple her fighting power.

THE QUESTION OF THE GOVERNMENT.

Anti-German sentiment may be relied upon to do much to prevent the sale of German goods in our markets for many years to come. But it will not do to rely upon sentiment alone. The State has a duty as well as the individual, and it is the duty of the Government to formulate and declare their policy in this matter without delay. It may be taken for granted that this people of this country will never consent to their markets being again flooded with German goods, imported without let or hindrance, free of tax or toll. It is quite inconceivable that we can revert to the old order of things. The public conscience would not permit of it, and no statesman, whatever his economic theories may be, would dare to suggest it. In justice to our own industries no less than in reprisal for Germany's many acts of barbarity, we must do everything in our power to discourage the sale of German goods in our markets. The only practical method of doing so is to impose a heavy duty upon all goods of German origin coming to this country.

GERMAN COMMERCE.

In this matter we shall not stand alone. The time is opportune for us to form a commercial entente with our brave Allies, and to oppose as firm and united a front to Germany in trade as we are doing in war. We hear that a movement in this direction has already been started in France, which has the support of the Chambers of Commerce and of all the representatives of the industrial, commercial, and economic interests of that country. It is for us to respond to that movement, and to bring pressure to bear upon the Government to take concerted action with France and our other Allies, including our Dominions, with the twofold object of waging war on German commerce and encouraging trade in and between the Allied nations. We want, in a word, preferential trading between the Allies, and a united policy against Germany's commercial ambitions.

IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED.

It may be said by some that we ought to wait until after the war before taking any such steps. But if we are to foil Germany's plans we must be preparing now. The greatest blow we could strike at Germany would be an immediate declaration of our policy on the lines we have just laid down. We are convinced that such action would do more to shorten the duration of the present hostilities than any military operations. There is nothing that Germany dreads more than an attack upon her commercial position, and it is in the power of the Allies to deliver such an attack with deadly effect.

PREFERENCE FOR OUR FRIENDS.

A tariff preference, both to our Dominions and our Allies, will be the natural outcome of the tariff system which must necessarily be set up to deal with the new situation. This is admitted even by Sir Alfred Mond, the redoubtable champion of Free Trade. Speaking in the House of Commons on October 19, on an amendment exempting articles from the Dominions from the new import duties introduced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, he said:—"If you introduce a tariff you cannot get away from Colonial preference." On the same date Sir Alfred moved an amendment to the Finance Bill with the object of admitting goods "from the territories of His Majesty's Allies" free of duty. He said:—"The object of the amendment is to treat our Allies in the same way in which it was proposed to treat the Dominions in the last amendment; that is to say, to put their products on the free list." Although neither amendment was carried, owing to a general feeling that the occasion was not a suitable one, there can be no doubt that there is an overwhelming feeling in favour of preference, both in Parliament and in the country. The fear of German retaliation may be dismissed, for Germany's imports are principally raw materials required in her industries, and in any case, we can much better afford to do without German goods than Germany can afford to do without British goods. It is on such lines as we have sketched that, we doubt not, a great and enduring commercial alliance will be formed, to the lasting advantage of the countries now fighting for the liberties of Europe and to the discomfiture of their foes.

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THE Steamship NOVARA, Captain H.R. HERRING, R.N., carrying 1,100 tons of cargo, will be despatched from this port on or about THURSDAY, the 14th January 1916, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship service from Hongkong, Suez and Valparaiso, and Tea and Cargo for Italy, France, and London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer, proceeding direct to Marseilles and London. Other Cargo for London, etc. will be conveyed via Bombay and transhipped to the s.s. "Kathlamba" due in London about 28th February, 1916.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to
E. V. D. FARR,
For Superintendent.

Hongkong, Dec. 31, 1915.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

FROM MEXICAN, PERUVIAN, CHILIAN, HONOLULU AND JAPAN PORTS.

THE Steamship "KIYO MARU."

The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside. Cargo remaining undelivered on FRIDAY, 31st December, 1915, at Noon, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown. Storage charges will be assessed on all Goods remaining undelivered on 4th January, 1916 at 5 p.m. No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claims will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown. All chatted and damaged Cargo will be landed into the Co's Godown, where they will be examined on 11th January, at 10 a.m.

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